HAWAI'I POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICE CHIEF HARRY S. KUBOJIRI

Harry S. Kubojiri was appointed Police Chief for the Hawai'i Police Department in December of 2008 and has 35 years of experience in the Police Field. He attended Lahainaluna High School on the island of Maui and graduated from Hilo High School. He received an Associate of Science degree in Police Science, is a 1999 graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy, a graduate of the 2004 Northwest Law Enforcement Executive Command College, and a graduate of the 2008 Hawai'i Island Leadership Series – Ulumau Class V.

Police Chief Kubojiri started his law enforcement career with the Hawai'i Police Department in July of 1979 and was promoted to Detective/Sergeant in the Criminal Investigation Section in 1984. While still holding the rank of Detective/Sergeant, Kubojiri was assigned to the Vice-Narcotics Section in 1989 and also worked in the Juvenile Aid Section and Criminal Intelligence Unit before returning back to the South Hilo Patrol Division as a supervisor in 1992. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 1994 and initially remained in the South Hilo Patrol Division, until he transferred to head the Training Section in the Administrative Services Bureau. While assigned to the Training Section, Kubojiri formulated the policies and procedures of the Special Response Team and, in 2000, was fortunate to become the first Tactical Team Leader for the Hawai'i Police Department. He later continued on with the tactical team, holding the position of Incident Commander until relinquishing the post in 2005. In 1999, he was promoted to the rank of Police Captain and assigned to the South Kohala District as its district commander, until being promoted to Police Major in 2000 to oversee police operations in West Hawai'i. He later transferred back to the Administrative Bureau in 2002 and headed the Technical Services Division, until his appointment to fill the Deputy Police Chief's position in December of 2002.

Chief Kubojiri is a current member of the National Tactical Officers Association and holds an instructor's certification in the TASER® electronic control device. He is an active member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and FBI National Academy Associate organization (196th Session), where he served as the Hawai'i Chapter President in 2004/2005, and recently became an active member in the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association. Chief Kubojiri has served as chairman of the Hawai'i HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) Executive Board and is a current Executive Board member. He is also an Executive Board member of the State of Hawai'i Fusion Center, representing the police chiefs of Kauai, Maui and Hawai'i island. He is a founding member of the newly formulated Police Chiefs of Hawai'i coalition and a member of the State of Hawai'i Law Enforcement Coalition. He is a sitting Board member of the State of Hawai'i SAVIN (Statewide Automated Victim

Information and Notification) program, Hawai'i Integrated Justice Information Sharing Committee, Governor's Committee on Crime, Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs, and Board of Private Detectives and Guards. For 2014/2015, Chief Kubojiri is the County of Hawai'i co-chair of the Hawai'i Island United Way.

Chief Kubojiri resides in Hilo, Hawai'i, and is married to his wife Jill of 24 years and has two children, a daughter and son, ages 23 and 21.